

Claims

1. A process to clean a polymeric article so as to remove non-volatile residues and low-volatility residues from the article, which process comprises immersing the article in a bath consisting essentially of a solvent selected from isopropyl alcohol, hexane, and blends of isopropyl and hexane, at an elevated
5 temperature of approximately 60° C, for a predetermined time not less than approximately five minutes, withdrawing the article from the bath, and drying the article.

2. The process of claim 1 wherein drying is accomplished by allowing the
10 article to be air-dried.

3. The process of claim 1 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

4. The process of claim 2 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

5. A process to clean a polyurethane glove so as to remove non-volatile residues and low-volatility residues from the glove, which process comprises immersing the glove in a bath consisting essentially of a solvent selected from isopropyl alcohol, hexane, and blends of isopropyl and hexane, at an elevated
15 temperature of approximately 60° C, for a predetermined time not less than approximately five minutes, withdrawing the glove from the bath, and drying the
20 glove.

6. The process of claim 5 wherein drying is accomplished by allowing the glove to be air-dried.

7. The process of claim 5 wherein the predetermined time is approximately
25 ten to twenty minutes.

8. The process of claim 6 wherein the predetermined time is approximately ten to twenty minutes.

9. The process of any one of claims 1 through 8 wherein the bath is quiescent.

5 10. The process of any one of claims 1 through 8 wherein the bath is agitated.

11. The process of claim 10 wherein the bath is agitated mechanically.

12. The process of claim 10 wherein the bath is agitated via bubbling of air or another gaseous medium that is inert relative to the bath.

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